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| For: COUNTERMEASURE METHOD IN | ) |                            |
| AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT       | ) |                            |
| USING A SECRET KEY            | ) |                            |
| CRYPTOGRAPHIC ALGORITHM       | ) |                            |

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination and the calculation of filing fees, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 30, line 1, delete "input or output of the means used."